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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re U.S. Application of:

Martin ZIMMER et al.

Art Unit: 3683

Examiner: **BUTLER, Douglas C.**

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For: **DAMPING DEVICE**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.111**

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Randolph Building
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed January 11, 2005, the undersigned respectfully requests reconsideration of the rejections of record in light of the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification – no amendments to the specification are sought herein.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.